Surrounded by Mystery

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## **AIR OF MYSTERY** SURROUNDS SHIFT OF GRIFF'S CLUB

By LOUIS A. DOUGHER.

An air of mystery surrounds the reported franchise shift in the American League today. It is reported that "certain stockholders of the Washington club have been notified to attend a meeting at which the proposition will be discussed." Some of those questioned today say they know nothing about such a meeting And there the matter rests, while Baltimore seethes in anticipation of owning a major league baseball club

Ed Barrow, president of the Inter-national League, when asked for information concerning the shift of the Washington franchise to Balti-more, replied: "I have heard nothing of it. It is a certainty that any move affecting Baltimore would have to be known by our league. As to future moves, I am not prepared to state what may happen, but we are

state what may happen, but we are making no preparation to evacuate Baltimore this year."

The source of the information, a baseball man in Baltimore, continues to insist, according to today's Baltimore American, that "it is positively the truth that the American League was planning several weak. was planning several weeks ago to place a club in Baltimore." He dis counts all the denials from Ban John son and members of his league

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"There is a peculiar angle to the story which leaked out prematurely concerning the probable transfer here of the Washington franchise of the American League. Pressed for information that would shed some light on the matter, Ban Johnson, Ed Barrow, Jack Dunn, local Feds and President Ben Minor, of the Washington club, in a single chorus and

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"It is in the Barrow statement that it can be plainly seen that something is brewing. Big Ed is one of the best little baseball men extant for vigorous denials, but his present denial lacks much of the old-time vigor. 'As to future moves I am not prepared to state what may happen.' It is this particular part of his statement that is the most interesting to Baltimore fandom. If most certainly adds significance to the belief that there is something in the air. Also of interest is the concluding sentence, which says: 'We are not making preparation to evacuate Baltimore this year.' All well and good, Ed, but how about next year? Perhaps you don't know that there has never been any allusion to this city being evacuated this year or you would have soft-pedaled on the last part of your statement."

more than a year. As it is unlikely that the Virginia League will even gtart next spring. Washington would be without a team in organized base ball, a condition hardly flattering to

That Jack Dunn means to make all the money he can while the going is good may be seen by his sale of Har-her, Fewster, Lamar, Thormahlen Shannon, and McAvoy. He has collected \$40,000 for this sextet of play ers, and he expects to sell Jack Bent ley to the Pittsburgh Pirates as a subatitute first baseman and utility hit-

CALLING FOOTBALL MEN

Max Carey's superior speed gave the Pirates a victory over the Giants I to 0.

Eastern High School football candidates will be out this week. "Gabby" Newman, captain of the team, wants all his players to report at the school Thursday afternoon at 4

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The Easterners have had a scrappy little eleven during the past four years. Bill McCaffrey, coach of the team for the past two years resigned last fall. Just who will handle affairs at Eastern in place of McCaffrey will for played regularly he'd come to be known shortly.

Announcement of Corbett's appointment was made here following a meeting in the office of Dr. Joseph E. Haycroft, of Princeton University, of a committee which has the unatter in charge. This committee has formed plans, it was announced, to gather to large plans, it was announced to gather to large plans, it was an

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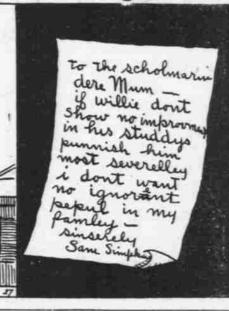
Sam Wouldn't Stand For No Ignorant Kid



30 YOU'RE WASTING YOUR TIME WHEN YOU SHOULD BE STUDYING HUH! - DON'T YOU KNOW THAT LACK OF EDUCATION WILL MAKE A BUM OUT OF YOU?







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CORBETT WILL TEACH

Tomorrow they will play at To-

The White Sox are now three games

Chick Gandil poled two hits in two Old Ty Cobb felt good yesterday,

and so he got three hits.

## **GREAT AND LOWLY LODGE** KICK AGAINST TRANSFER

social life of the city were satisfied

The great and the lowly of Wash- vacate Washington's baseball fran-The great and the lowly of Washington's baseball franchise in the American League. It test against the transfer of Washington would be a calamity to the city to be discovered by the biggest deals in the history of baseball may be clinched here in the near future if Colonel Ruppert, president of the Yankees, can swing it with the aid of President Ban Johnson, of the American League.

The great and the lowly of Washington's baseball franchise to Rushington it in the American League. It would be a calamity to the city to calamity of the minor league class. I cannot conceive of a league sarficing the prestige of having a Washington club at this time. A club that plays in Washington plays to the most distinguished crowd in America, which most a unit in its demand that some action be taken without Meiay to premaking that it hasn't been able to make baseball paramount this summer."

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### CRACKS CAN'T GO.

NEW YORK, Aug. 28.—Jack Eller, hurdler, and Eddle Frick, distance runner, will not compete in the A. A. U. games at St. Louis, it was announced today. Eller's work as a motorcycle policeman prevents his making the trip, and Frick's business compelled him to abandon the journey. They were two of the strongest units in the Metropolitan Association's ceam. **BOXING TO SOLDIERS** PRINCETON, N. J., Aug. 28-James J. Corbett, former heavyweight champion of the world, has received an ap-

### Indians' Pilfering Sets New Record For This Season

The Cleveland Indians set a new mark in base stealing yes-terday for this season. The Indians grabbed off eight stolen bases in taking liberties with Eddie Ainsmith's right wing. On May 20 the Indians stole

seven bases in a single game and this stood until yesterday. Roth pilfered four. Harris two, and Wamby and Speaker one each. There was a triple steal with Roth scoring in the fifth yesterday. Roth and Harris engineered a double steal in the first.

The Griffmen were not far behind in running wild on the bases. as five were annexed during the afternoon, Sammy Rice got three and Morgan and Leonard one each. Rice and Mergan pulled their double steal in the fifth. There were thirthen bases stolen during the afternoon, to the shame of the catchers, Almamith and C'Neffl.

Where They Play.

TODAY
Wash, at Cleveland.
Phila at St. Louis.
N. Y. at Chicago.
Boston at Detroit. Yesterday's Games.

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### "SHINE BALL" SUPREME AS GRIFFS TRIM TRIBE RAILROAD PLAYERS

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CLEVELAND, Aug. 21.—More than forty baseballs were used up in the Monday game between the Griffmen and Cleveland Indians as the result of experiments by Jim Shaw, Fred Coumbe, Ed Klepfer, and others who tried to get away with the stuff that wins for the Chicago White Sox when Cleotte and Danforth are pitching.

Jim Shaw and the Cleveland pitchers mentioned in the foregoing operated the so-called "shine ball" in violation of a lengue rule which specifically states that any pitcher who deliberately discolors a ball shall be fined \$5 for the first offense, and if this is repeated be removed from the game.

BROWNS BEST DRILLED.

The "shine ball" is a half brother to the spitter. The pitcher saturates his glove with some sticky prepara-tion and rubs the balls at the seams with this stuff. Then be shines up the reverse side on his trousers, the result being weird dips and shoots, also a badly discolored pill.

had so much speed that most of the boys were stepping back from the plate. "He did not have it when I saw him," said the mayor of Cherrydale, so now the question is asked, "Does Mike Martin know a real pitchwhen he sees one?

or when he sees one?"

Guy Morton will oppose George Dumont or Jim Shaw in the farewell game the Washington club plays here today.

WASHINGTON.

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# TRUXTONS TAKE ON

General Office winners of the Terminal Railroad Y. M. C. A. baseball pennant, are down for an engagement today at Union Station Grounds, to meet the Truxtons, winners of the Capital City League title, in the third game of the city championship series.

The Railroad Leaguers dropped their first battle with the Marcons last Saturday, and will play their second today. The Truxtons have already appeared in one battle, that of yesterday when the Maroons were encountered for a 6 to 6 score over eight innings.

Maroons were expected to have a soft thing of it in winning the ama-GRIFFMEN ARE SECOND

soult being weird dips and shoots, drilled team in the American League. Itse a badly discolared pill.

Imposed No Fines.

So far as known there were no fines prize of \$500 to the St. Louis club prize by Umpire Hildebrand Monary, but the Cleveland pitchers were military instructor.

The Washington club finished a lowed seven hits but did not waik a lowe

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